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Timely Tidbits . . .

Santa Claus Is Coming to Town

Arriving by helicopter in slapdash style, Santa will make his first appearance in Romulus at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, December 2, when he'll officiate at the City's annual tree-lighting ceremony at the Romulus Historic Park (located on Hunt Street near the Post Office building). Be sure to join your neighbors for caroling, a free tour of the Historical Museum's holiday display, and (following the ceremony) refreshments and a visit with Santa at Wick Elementary School.

Watch for the Roman's "Goodfellows" Edition

This year, the Romulus Goodfellows will be raising money for some of their holiday projects by selling a special edition of *The Romulus Roman* at major intersections throughout the City on Friday, December 2, and Saturday, December 3. A generous donation will give you the satisfaction of knowing that you've helped a less fortunate neighbor enjoy a happy holiday.

Goodfellows Tree at City Hall

Once again, the Romulus Goodfellows have set up a special tree to be "decorated" with mittens, clothing, and toys for distribution to our city's children in need. Donations of new, unwrapped clothing and gifts may be taken to Mayor Beverly McAnally's office between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information, call the Mayor's office: 942-7572.

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Project SERVE Gives Students the Opportunity To Make a Difference in Their Own Community



Busy with a rake is Romulus High School student Jason Laskaska (photos: Kathy Hurst)

Approximately 100 students from Romulus Middle School, Romulus High School, and the University of Michigan–Ann Arbor (U of M) went "Into the Streets" of the Romulus community on Saturday, October 22, when the Project SERVE offices of Romulus High School and U of M teamed up for "Make a Difference in Your Community Day."

A total of 10 projects were overseen by the High School's Project SERVE coordinator, Kathy Hurst. Among them:

- Students ran errands and did chores for residents of the Romulus Tower senior-citizens apartment building, then delivered carnations and roses (donated by local florists), along with cards reading "We're glad you're a part of our community," to each of the residents.
- At Special Tree, students took patients for walks and spent time with them in the activity room.
- Students assisted Florence Klein, director of the Helping Hand Thrift Shop, in setting out and organizing her winter inventory items.
- Squad and detective cars at the Romulus Police Department were given a good washing.
- At the City's animal shelter, students cleaned, walked the dogs, and ad-

ministered liberal doses of TLC to all the "temporary residents."

- Two Romulus High School classrooms – one of which is accessible to the community – were painted and wallpapered.
- Windows were washed and leaves were raked at the homes of two of the community's widows.
- Students solicited permission to plant a total of 50 pine trees in residents' yards throughout the community.
- At Elmer Johnson Park, students weeded and cleaned parking lots, volleyball courts, and bleacher areas.
- And downtown Romulus received a general cleanup as students removed annuals, swept sidewalks, and raked leaves.

The day was a smashing success.

"The nicest thing about the project was the obvious enjoyment of the students who participated," said Hurst. "The good feeling they got from being of service to others was a positive feedback, and gave them a desire to go back and do more. In fact, the students who did chores and errands at the Romulus Tower have since returned to help out at the residents' annual Thanksgiving dinner, and have already planned another 'chore day' for Saturday, December 10. And students who volunteered at the Helping Hand have since conducted a food drive to benefit the shop."

Hurst described the importance of getting young people involved in what she called a "cycle of service," citing studies which indicate that people who become involved in volunteerism during their youth are much more likely to continue to serve their communities throughout their lifetime.

"Such service really does begin a positive cycle," she explained. "By becoming involved in the community while still in school, these young people are helping to make Romulus a better place – one that they'll want to come back to, settle into, and continue their involvement in as adults."

Although the High School's Project SERVE is in only its second year, Hurst says that the "Into the Streets" program is only the beginning. Thanks to strong support from students and the community, and with the help of a \$45,000 Federal grant for this year's project, Hurst says that Project SERVE will continue to work to make our community an



Dan Bussard (left) and Alec Hance deliver flowers to appreciative seniors at the Romulus Tower.

even better place.

The following youths joined Romulus adults Margaret Leduc, E.M.T.; Michelle Rinehart, substitute teacher/cheerleading coach; Phyllis Wilkerson, teacher; Louise Briody, secretary; Chuck Uszticz, teacher; Kathy Hurst, Project SERVE coordinator; and Michelle Allor, service enthusiast, to perform service on "Make a Difference Day."

Romulus Middle School

Robert Boykins, William Chapman, Jackie Evans, Matt Gibbons, Alec Hance, Gabrielle Harp, Ashley Hawn, Holly Holloway, Erin Jones, Nicole McKinney, April Morones, Kimberly Studstill, Melanie Ziener.

Romulus High School

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Letters to the Editor

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Reader Wants Citizens To Have a Say on Gambling

Letter to the Editor:

Do the citizens of Romulus really need another controversy to divide us? Don't we have enough problems already with regard to the well issue? Now there is the very real threat that our elected officials are going to bring gambling to our city. In a unanimous vote, Council members have given the Mayor the go-ahead to hire a consulting firm to study this issue. It is my strong belief that the citizens of Romulus should have a say as to whether or not we want to bring "gaming" – the new buzz word – into our city.

I went before Council earlier this year to ask Council to put this gambling issue to a referendum vote. I would think that, as elected officials, they would want to let everyone have a voice in an issue that will have such a profound impact on our city. I was politely told that gambling isn't legal in our state, so there was no reason to have such a vote. Well, before they go spending a lot of our tax dollars on consultants, we should have been asked whether or not we wanted gambling.

I also asked each Council member to go on record as to whether they were for or against gambling in Romulus. To me, this is such a simple question. I was told by Mayor Pro Tem Mary Ann Banks that she couldn't speak for everyone, but that she would have to see a proposal first before she could decide. No Council member would go on record. The Mayor, our city clerk, and several of our council members told me that they have heard from hardly anyone who is against gambling coming to Romulus.

Fellow Romulus residents, I strongly urge you to stand up now and demand to have your voice heard. The first and easiest thing that you can do to get your message across is to call City Hall at 942-7540. Let the Mayor know how you feel; leave a message for each of your council members or call them. Most will be glad to listen to you. Try attending Council meetings and asking the members to put this to a referendum vote.

Remember, a new election year is almost upon us. We need elected offi-

cials who will best represent our ideals and beliefs as to the future path that our city will take. If we had a referendum vote on this gambling issue and the majority of Romulus residents felt that gambling would be good for our city, this would help legitimize their (the elected officials') positions. So why would they not want this?

Most people whom I have talked to, whether they are for or against the deep well, feel that the real tragedy in the situation was the fact that the citizens were not aware of what was going on behind the scenes. Let us not make that same mistake again.

Sheri Hicks
Romulus

ZBA Urged To Support EDS Zoning Appeal

Dear Board Members:

Please accept this note of support for the zoning appeal of Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc. (EDS). I will not make an appeal based on fear or opinion based on misinformation, as some of those opposed to this appeal undoubtedly will.

The question before you is not whether this project belongs in Romulus; that decision was made at the State level. The question is, is the developed site appropriate? I argue that it is.

My position is based on long and arduous research of State, Federal, and local rights and responsibilities in this matter, as well as the history of this specific controversy. I have poured over volumes of documents. I have reviewed the City's charter and finances for the last 20 years, plus hundreds of newspaper articles and letters to the editor. I have also reviewed the depositions in CE 93-33071 (City of Romulus v. Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc.) of Mayor Beverly McAnally, Building Department Director David Paul, EDS President Douglas Wicklund, former project partner Bob Ryan (formerly of Bestway), and former Community Development Director Dennis Oakes.

These documents tell that, at the very least, no one raised the possibility of a zoning problem before or during construction. This leads me to the only possible conclusion: the City administration gave at least *de facto* approval of the facility location.

The Environmental Protection Agency, the Michigan Department of Transportation, and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources have the responsibility of regulating and overseeing the facility's operation. The City of Romulus had only one option af-


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Local Commentary

Resident Predicts Dire Consequences If Gambling Is Implemented

Editor's note: The purpose of the "Local Commentary" column is to provide members of the Romulus community with an opportunity to express their viewpoint on issues of interest to the people who live and do business here. Responsible spokespersons are invited to make use of this column at any time; for more information, please contact Kristi Stephens, editor, at either (313) 941-1907 or 941-3113.

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We in Romulus are approaching yet another controversial policy dilemma: namely, casino gambling. The question before us is, should the City of Romulus allow casino gambling? The legal issues are in the hands of the Governor and the moral issues are in the hands of the clergy. I wish to talk about the community impact of casinos on the citizens of Romulus. Legal and moral issues aside, there are some definite and overwhelming concerns that must be addressed before any decision is made.

On November 14, I made a preliminary presentation to the Romulus City Council on the subject of gambling, and the facts and analyses that I presented can mean only one thing: casino gambling is a bad idea for the citizens of Romulus.

While Mayor McAnally and Community Development Director Jane Downing have been pressing for casino gambling as the answer to the City's financial woes, I beg to differ. The City of Romulus has many, many other, much more attractive alternatives to head off the rushing tide of financial ruin brought about by poor planning. Communities like Canton and Northville witnessed dramatic growth in the 1980s, yet they have no casino gambling and do not host one of the largest airports in the world.

Romulus is in a unique position to make great use of our proximity to the Airport: it is completely contained within the City's boundaries, yet this valuable resource continues to be ignored. Why are we not exploring how to better serve the 14.7 million visitors to our airport? Instead, while the Mayor and Community Development Director are attending conferences and meetings about casino gambling, our hotels lose business to hotels in communities like Novi and Dearborn because those commu-

nities have the restaurants, the theaters, the office supply stores, and such that travelers need to do business in southeastern Michigan. Why is this great resource being wasted?

Every realistic report I read says the same thing: What money is taken in by any proposed future Romulus casino will not be from wealthy businessmen jetting in to play the slots; rather, it will come from average Joes trying to make the mortgage. That means casino profits are taken straight from the local economy: Tony's Hardware downtown, the Romulus IGA, Dave's Barber Shop, and the list goes on. These businesses, here for years and owned by your neighbors and friends, will be crushed. Is that what the Mayor wants? It's what she'll get, and we'll get, if we don't take action to stop this right now.

While the Mayor was quoted in the *Romulus Roman* as possessing a very large casino gambling library, she now denies this and states that there is nothing in the public record for citizen review. This can mean only one of two things: the information does *not* support casino gambling *or* she has no information and is spellbound by the money.

How then are we to know what she is imposing upon us? The Mayor won't share one scrap of information that helps us understand why she's making this huge mistake. I have collected volumes of state, federal, and academic papers (since I wish to inform, I'll share these) that spell the only outcome of a casino in Romulus: declining home values, increased crime, increased cost of City services, and, worse yet, the complete take over of our city by outside casino owners.

Every document I have against casino gambling says the same thing: the people most hurt are those least able to afford it. Since Romulus, Taylor, Inkster, and Wayne, not to mention other nearby communities, are made up of blue-collar folks who put in a hard day's work for far too little money, it's easy to see why the rich casino developers are wooing our easily wooed mayor and trying to drain the last little bit of cash left in our community and take it back home, usually out of state, with them.

If the Mayor is unwilling to let us share in the decision process, as she told JP McCarthy when she balked at the mention of a referendum, the least she can do is show us the need. What

does she plan to do with this gambling revenue? Where is the need? Sure, the "\$25-\$30 million" figure sounds great, but there is such a slim chance of money in that magic "\$25-\$30 million" range being available that it's silly to even consider those figures as anything but a fool's dream.

The Mayor mentions the figure "\$25-\$30 million" pretty often. I have heard no mention of a project that would need such resources. What plans does she have for this money? Why is it needed? There has been absolutely no public discussion on what is to be done with any gambling revenues. Who knows what she's trying to slip by? The Mayor says she wants this extra income because we voters won't give her more taxes. Aw, shucks! It's not because we're cheap; it's more likely because the Mayor has mangled the City's finances through a series of such terrible deals and missed opportunities that we just don't trust her management skills and we won't cough

up any more money to be thrown away.

There are so many costly, and avoidable, mistakes that, every day, this city slips deeper and deeper into a financial pit. Much of Canton's growth resulted from this city missing opportunities and Canton seizing them. Every year, the fund balance shrinks because the City is operating at a loss. Every year, the Airport grows and the Wick Road area is *still* a vacant field, with \$10 million in improvements that the citizens of Romulus paid for. What this mismanagement translates to is: lower property values, decreasing services, and inability to compete for quality development. The Mayor's response: Bring in gambling! Ah! The cure that kills!

Detroit is also looking at casino gambling. Let's face it: Romulus has far, far more chance of attracting quality development like Canton than does the City of Detroit. Detroit sees gambling as a last resort. Why does Mayor McAnally

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forded it by preemptive State and Federal regulations. That option was: What would the City allow to be the well's location within the City of Romulus?

As early as December of 1990, Councilman Noah P. Bergeron announced at a Council meeting that his father-in-law's (Mr. John Ryznar's) property was under consideration as a possible site. No one said, "Hey, that's not an appropriate location. Scratch that off your list of possible sites."

Given the expansion of Detroit Metropolitan Airport, I support the position that the City consciously allowed construction at the location in dispute because it is the most appropriate in the City for many esthetic and transportation reasons. That decision was, and remains, an example of proper land utilization.

Airport expansion and noise have already nearly depopulated the area. In the coming years, the City will be forced to rezone many parcels in the area in question to take advantage of the opportunities presented for growth due to Airport expansion. The City should not wait. It should begin rezoning this area immediately.

Lifelong friendships have been destroyed. The City has been torn apart, emotionally and financially, by this con-

trovery. Personal attacks (physical, written, and verbal) have been made. Vandalism and threats have taken their toll. Statements about ulterior motives and secret deals have been made. Family tragedies and personal matters have been made public. We all live in fear of retribution for the positions that we have taken. This is not necessary. There is an issue that needs attention – and fact, not emotion or intimidation, will decide which prevails.

This did not need to happen. Mr. Wicklund has said time and again that, had the City not welcomed him with open arms, he would have sought another location for his project. Please, look at the facts, the history, and the future development of the affected area, and you will quickly see that the validity of the zoning of this project was supported by the City until October of 1993, and remains appropriate.

Too much effort and time has already been expended on this issue. The question that you face today is difficult. There will be hard feelings on either side when you finally make your decision. There is no way to make everyone happy. You must decide in favor of what you believe to be right – to a moral and complete certainty.

Yours truly,
Charles E. Griffiths, III □

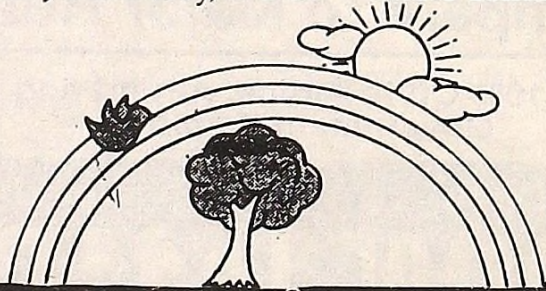
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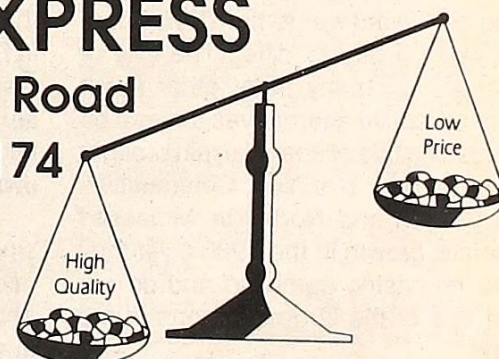
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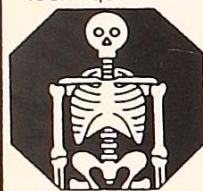
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New Program Director Hopes To Increase Involvement in City's Recreation Activities

By Talia Tripp

There's a new kid on the block at the Romulus Recreation Department. Keith Brothers, who was appointed to the post of Program Director in October, has his work cut out for him, but his qualifications and past experiences make him the perfect guy for the job.

Brothers graduated in 1988 from Romulus High School, where he played baseball and golf. From there, he attended Olivet College with a triple major in health education, physical education, and recreation management and a minor in history. On top of his academic duties, Brothers found time to play golf and baseball and pledge Phi Alpha Pi, a social fraternity.

After graduating from Olivet in May 1993, Brothers did student teaching at Romulus High School in the new field house under Gail Coleman. He was eventually employed as a substitute teacher in both Romulus and Belleville, where he worked with students of all ages.

His educational plans don't stop there, though. Brothers says that he wants to continue his schooling by adding a master's degree in athletic administration or sports management to his current bachelor's degree.

Brothers credits his family for his ambition. "I wouldn't have gotten through my high school and college years without their support," he said. "They are a big part of me and my education." Parents Janis and Greg and sister Jodi have a lot to be proud of.

The new program director says that his job has been nothing but positive, especially since the people at the Recreation Department have been extremely helpful in aiding the transition. "Brian Hitsky, Sheila Stewart, and Gayle Mach have been very supportive," he said.

When asked about his least favorite part of the job, Brothers could not think of one, but noted that, as a specific event nears, chaos is not a stranger. "It's remembering the little things," he said, that can add stress to his job.

Stressed or not, Brothers still finds time to engage in his favorite leisure activities. He is presently involved in a hockey league and finds time for other sports, as well (through the Recreation Department, of course!). He even held a position coaching baseball under Don Foley at Romulus High School.

Included in his duties at the Recreation Department are the establishment and supervision of programs and the tougher job of encouraging more participation. Although turnout is improv-



Keith Brothers

ing, Brothers admitted that there's still room for an increase. "Maybe parents work in the afternoon and can't bring their kids down, I don't know," he said. "But a lot of programs have been set up, and we would like to see more participation throughout the community. Maybe more publicity would do the trick."

Maybe it would, but the Recreation Department does what it can to inform residents about what's available. Brothers said that the Department sends flyers to all the schools for dispersion to the students and also sends announcements to community newspapers.

What can Romulus residents anticipate from their recreation department? Brothers said that, besides the continuation (pending participation) of most of the old programs, some new programs will be introduced with the new year. Among those, Brothers mentioned hopes of a first aid/CPR class. "Everybody needs to know that," he said. Also on the list of possibilities is a sports-card show. What else would you expect from an active person like Brothers? For all the softball fans, Brothers said that, in January and February, the Recreation Department will begin to sell ad plates to local businesses to improve the appearance of the fields at Elmer Johnson Park. "The fences are too short, the lighting needs to be fixed ... the field needs an updated look," he said.

Although his position as program director is an "internship" (as Brothers explained it) for now, it may develop into something long-term. A final decision will depend on an evaluation scheduled for January. "I really hope this works out," he said. "So far, I love it!"

If you have any questions about upcoming programs and how to get involved, call the Recreation Department at 942-6852. □

Community Calendar

- **Please Help!** – Romulus Little League is on the brink of financial disaster. The situation is critical and parent participation is a necessity. Needed: donations, sponsors, managers, coaches, and volunteers for fund raisers. For more information, call Cathy (941-7612) or Julie (941-6797).
- **Holiday Decoration Contest** – The City of Romulus Beautification Committee is sponsoring a contest for those homes decorated for the Christmas season. First- (\$50), second- (\$25), and third-place (\$10) prizes will be awarded. All entries (for your home) and/or nominations (for your neighbor's home) must be received on or before 5 p.m. on Monday, December 12. Entries/nominations – including name, address, major cross streets, and contact telephone number – should be submitted in writing (address entries to: Julie Wojtylko, Chairperson, City of Romulus Beautification Committee, 11111 Wayne, Romulus, MI 48174) or by calling 942-7537 Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Judging will be conducted December 13–16 from 6 to 9 p.m.
- **Moonlight Bowling** – Please help Romulus Little League 1995 get back on its feet! You can show your support while having a good time by participating in an evening of Moonlight Bowling at Woodhaven Lanes on Friday, December 2, at 10 p.m. Cost is just \$15 per person. For ticket information, call Cathy (941-7612) or Julie (941-6797).
- **Christmas Is For Children** – The Macomb Junior Players will present a delightful holiday musical program, *Christmas Is For Children*, at 1 and 4 p.m. on Sunday, December 4, at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts (Macomb Community College, one mile east of Lakeside Mall at Hall/M-59 and Garfield roads in Clinton Township). Tickets are \$5; for information, call the Macomb Center Box Office (810-286-2222) weekdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **The Nutcracker** – The Taylor Ballet Americana, with the Allen Park Symphony Orchestra, will present *The Nutcracker* on Friday, December 9 (8 p.m.); Saturday, December 10 (8 p.m.); and Sunday, December 11 (3 p.m.), at the Huron Civic Auditorium (32044 Huron River Drive, New Boston). Tickets are \$12 for adults; \$10 for senior citizens/students. For more information, call 782-5380 or 654-0167.
- **Little League Board Meeting** – The 1995 Romulus Little League Board of Directors invites the public to attend its board meetings, which will be held at the Romulus Recreation building on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for December 13. For more information, please call either Cathy (941-7612) or Julie (941-6797).
- **Firefighters' New Year's Eve Party** – Romulus Fire Stations #2 and #4 will hold their New Year's Eve Party fund raiser at Romulus Progressive Hall on Saturday, December 31, from 7 p.m. till 3 a.m. The ticket price (\$50/couple; \$30/single) covers dinner (served at 8 p.m.), beer, set-ups, champagne toast, door prizes, and music provided by Jon Ray of WHND–WCSX Radio. For tickets or more information, call either Jim (942-7195), George (721-3552), Kevin (941-1990), or the Romulus Fire Department (941-8585).
- **Incest "Courage to Heal" Therapy Group** – A newly formed therapy group for adult women and men who were victims of child abuse meets every Thursday from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Family & Neighborhood Services/Dorsey Center (32715 Dorsey Road, Westland). For more information, call Dottie Birrell, social worker, at 326-4262.

To place information in the Community Calendar, mail it to "the little paper" at P.O. Box 74038, Romulus, MI 48174-0038; FAX it to us at 941-4874; or call 941-1907 or 941-3113

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LOCAL COMMENTARY

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see it as a first resort for Romulus? What a lazy way to avoid doing some quality municipal planning! What we need are some long-term plans to develop the City, not a quick fix that's more a shot in the head than a shot in the arm. Even the Federal government reports that every two casino jobs actually cost three jobs.

The need for quality growth is apparent, but isn't understood by the current administration. The City should be addressing that very issue now, but first we citizens must stop the Mayor's mad talk of bringing casinos in to destroy our

city's future. There is great opportunity available for quality growth, perhaps better than at any point in the history of Romulus, but all that will be dashed if we hand over our city's future to the gambling industry.

Don't let Mayor McAnally and Community Development Director Jane Downing roll the dice with our city's future in a rigged game. Come out, let the City Council members know how you feel, and together let's set a reasonable course that will take Romulus into the twenty-first century with vision, pride, and prosperity.

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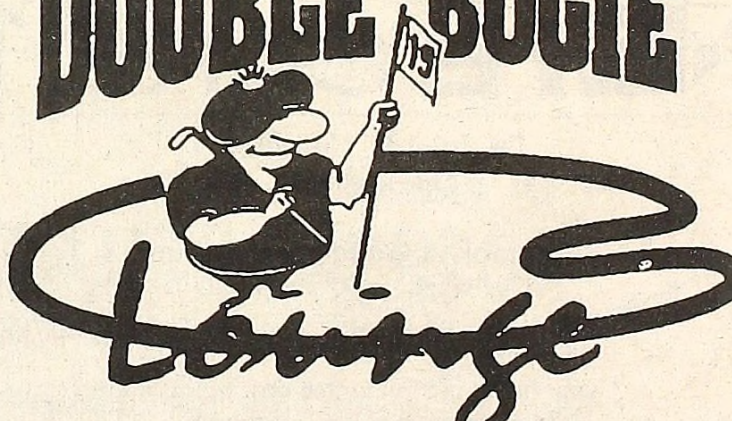
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Annual Play Celebrates First Feast



Although they were portraying the usually solemn-faced Pilgrims and Native Americans who sat down to the first Thanksgiving feast, the stars of Barth School's annual First-grade Thanksgiving Play (students from the classrooms of Miss Rose Raspberry, Mrs. Karen Richard, and Ms. Marcia MacMahan) were all smiles during their performance on Tuesday, November 22. Pictured here are (left) Ron Kreutzer (photo: Lisa Kreutzer) and (right) J.R. Nelson with teacher Karen Richard (photo: D. Paul Nelson).

Recreation News

Many thanks to Brian Hitsky, director of the Romulus Department of Parks and Recreation, and Gayle Mach and Keith Brothers, Department staff members, for contributing information to this issue's "Recreation News" column. For more information about these or other Recreation programs, please stop in at the Recreation office (36515 Bibbins) or call 942-6852.

Turkey Day Free-throw Winners

On Monday, November 21, the Recreation Department held its Third Annual Thanksgiving Day Free-throw Basketball Turkey Shoot. Thirty-eight participants competed in the three different age groups to win a turkey by making the most free throws.

The winner in the "eight to 11" age group was Joshua Brown, who won his division by making nine out of 10 free throws. Also competing were Timothy Amrine, Ashley Amrine, Melvin Stewart, Carl Elliot, Rodney Dixon, Andy Rodger, Troy Williams, Danté Williams, Joseph Brown, Crystal Lowe, Natasha Lowe, Dean Soloman, Monique Soloman, Chad Murphy, Brian Rodger, Roy Wolf, Jamie Kenne, John Andrea, Tonya Morris, Gary Johnson, Johnny Nehilla, Brandon Hindman, Bradley Hindman, and Steve Anderson.

The winner in the "12 to 15" age group was E.J. Clark, who emerged victorious from an overtime shootout by making four out of 10 shots. Also competing were: Letty Taylor, Keith Bryant, Darren Cox, and Ryan Henne.

The "age 16 and over" age group was won by Michael Whitworth, who made nine out of 10 throws. Also competing in this division were: Troy Williams Sr. Joseph Brown Sr. Steve Lowe, Brian Banyai, Dean Soloman, Al Hindman, and Tim Anderson.

The Recreation Department would like to thank all the participants for competing in the biggest Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot and making it such a success.

Holiday Programs

The Romulus Recreation Department invites everyone in the community to join in one or all of its programs planned especially for the holiday season.

First, help your neighbors welcome Santa to the City of Romulus at the annual tree-lighting ceremony, to be held at Romulus Historic Park on Friday, December 2, at 6:30 p.m. — then join Santa for refreshments at Wick School.

A series of Saturday "Kids Craft Clinics" will be conducted at the Recreation Building on December 3, 10, and 17. Planned projects include constructing finger puppets, ornaments, special candy canes, and holiday elves. The cost for all three sessions is \$12; individual craft clinics cost \$5 each.

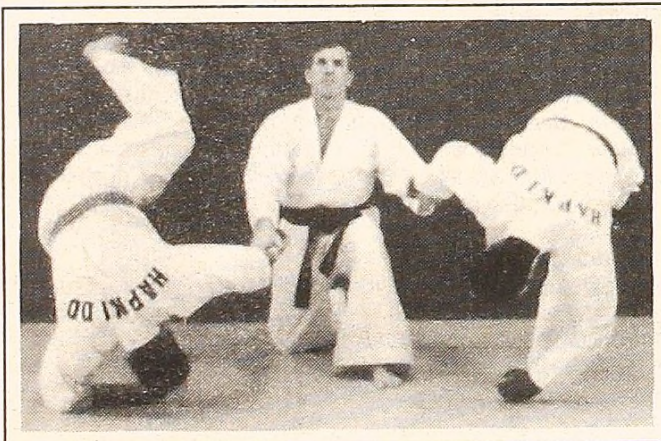
Adults, too, will have a chance to create their own holiday decorations at craft classes arranged especially for them. Projects will include making pot-pourri pie, shirt painting, and constructing holiday bells and Christmas centerpieces. Classes are set for December 6, 10, 13, and 19; cost of the classes varies.

Another holiday event on the Recreation Department's calendar is a "City Christmas Lights Tour" set for Friday, December 16. Cost for the tour, which begins at City Hall starting at 6 p.m., is just \$1 per person.

Finally, youngsters can be sure that Santa has all the information that he needs to make their Christmas special by attending a "Lunch with Santa" program at the Recreation Building on Saturday, December 17, at 1:30 p.m. A menu of hot dogs, chips, drink, and dessert will be featured; cost is \$3 for the first child, \$2 for each additional child and/or parent.

For more details on any of the Recreation Department's holiday activities, please call the office at 942-6852 or the Recreation Hotline at 941-6040. □

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Academic Excellence Earns Students a Spot on Honor Roll

Congratulations to the following Romulus students whose superior academic achievements earned them a place on the honor roll during the first marking period of the 1994-1995 school year. (Note: An asterisk denotes those students who received all "A" grades.)

Barth Elementary School

Mrs. Fraley's Room

Ryan Block, Paul Bodis, Marshall D. Hardt, Jennell Harper, Carla Harris, Brandon J. Olson, John Ryznar, and Carrie Spielman.

Mrs. Gursky's Room

Nicole Bills, Rachel Broom, Kelly Carroll, *Cortney Daniels, Dendal Duncan, Jerome Gray, Ileen Hill, Deana Hunter, Falon Kennedy, Anson Long, Dayna Peters, and Julian Reno.

Mrs. Hall's Room

Lauren Block, Meghan Conway, Peter Elam, Stacey Gilbert, Rick Hadyniak, Sarah Herbert, *Bradley Hindman, Julian Lambert, Adam Malloy, Joshua Nichols, Steven Parks, Robert Rice, Nathasha Tao, Orlando Wells, Jenny Wright, and Samantha Youtsey.

Mrs. Mientkiewicz's Room

Michael Bardoni, Heather Bishop, Carla Broom, Jessica Case, Karrah Duncan, James Elam, Ryan Ellis, Angela Lewis, Bianca Martinez, Patrick McCollum, Suzanne Nehila, Robert Niemann, Kristi Rice, Jon Taylor, Rebecca Thornton, and Cali Trevorow.

Mrs. Reott's Room

Clint Bergum, Amanda Brewington, Ronald Buckley, Christopher Chesno, Leslie Dailey, LeChaunte Ellerson, Ashley Hayes, Sharonda Jackson, Matt Thiede, Kelli Weimer, Troy Williams, and Megan Woodrow.

Mrs. Stock's Room

Monica Watson and Erica Williams.

Romulus Middle School

Seventh Grade

Christina Allen, Jarene Armstrong, Caleb Beasley, Robert Belcher, April Benrowsky, Candice Bingham, Jessica Blanton, Kelly Bottenhorn, *Amber Bowman, Nicole Bratcher, Jason Britt, Aaron Brohl, Nicole Burgess, Jennifer Bury, Sharice Carter, Justin Chaney, Amanda Clark, Andrea Coate, Byron Cole, Tyraa Collins, *Erin Conway, Sarah Cox, Dawn Curley, *Autumn Debus, Jacob Degillio, Keri Deverich, Ryan DiMaggio, *Tyra Donald, Alexis Downer, Jeanne Estes, Jaclyn Evans, Tiffany Flemings, Yvonne Fliessner, LaDonna Franklin, Christopher Garwood, Theresa Genau, Jessica Gilbert, Laura Gunn, Susan Haener, Stephen Harper, Kalene Harris, Natalya Harris, Heather Heughens, Amanda Hislop, Jennifer Hoffman, Moriah Holbrook, Andrea Hoppe, Christina Johnson, *Rachel Kolar, Karajo Kraft,

Ruby Lee, *Dinah Malosh, Crystal Massey, Jo Neke McClain, *Steven Mientkiewicz, Crystal Mincovsky, Kimberly Minner, Danielle Mitchell, Reagan Moore, Raymond Moss, *Jennifer Nieman, Jessica Nieman, Jasmine Noble, Shirlee Parsons, Travis Person, Shawna Peters, Tia Piggee, Leslie Pitts, Kim Pollard, Jamaal Poole, James Proctor, Eric Renner, Crystal Renton, Lindsay Rhoton, Jennifer Richardson, Jenny Schnarrs, John Shelley, Laketia Shelton, Kali Sheposh, Jennifer Smith, Catherine Sprinkle, Eric Staten, Sarah Tanner, James Taylor, Jeremy Taylor, *Brooke Thompson, Renia Thum, Joshua Turner, Carissa Van Dooren, Jennifer Vit, Christina Wands, Falencia Ward, Regina Washington, Adam Weber, Christy Weidemann, *Naomi White, Autumn Womble, Heather Wright, and Sarah Ziemer.

Eighth Grade

Deanna Atherton, Tracy Atherton, Charlene Belcher, Latoya Bell, Tina Blake, Tomeka Boles, Catherine Boslet, Christina Bouquenoy, *Brad Bowman, Shylah Broom, Carrie Brown, Oliver Buffington, Wanakee Burke, Betty Caines, Erin Cameron, Ann Carter, Alfred Chadwick, *Denise Chambers, William Chapman, Brandy Clark, Jessica Colman, Damien Crawford, Kimberly Daniels, Laneda Davis, Novia Edwards, Jonathan Estes, Dominic Evitts, Jennifer Finch, Erin Fisher, Matthew Gibbons, Candace Gibson, Ervin Gibson, Carrie Golden, Shannon Guarino, Taniesha Hampton, Alec Hance, Jena Harris, Steven Hatfield, Lena Hawthorn, Shannon Herauf, Porsha Hester, Shennelle Hodges, Holly Holloway, James Jessee, Krystle Johnson, Erin Jones, Danielle Judy, Mamie Kesner, Chanel Killebrew, Rachel Laskaska, *Michael Lee, Rebecca Lloyd, Katie Lockhart, Martin Lucaj, Jonathan Manthei, Carleton McCauley, Nicole McKinney, Quatisha Medley, *Kimika Moore, April Morones, Joana Moton, Nicolle Moue, David Necker, Jeffery Orme, *Rachael Parker, Amanda Patterson, Derek Plave, Deanna Proost, Steven Scibilia, Jannetta Sewell, Carissa Slone, Tamika Smith, Justin Somers, Michelle Sprinkle, Kimberly Studstill, Rebecca Swain, Nathan Thomas, Scott Tieppo, Cari Wauer, Melanie Wilhide, Megan Wilson, Melanie Ziemer, and Sarah Zilka. □

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REGULAR MEETING, NOVEMBER 14, 1994

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, November 14, 1994 was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President Sandra F. Langley.

Roll call showed Mr. Pat Patterson absent (excused) and Mrs. Debra A. Hoffman absent (excused). All Administrators were present. Mr. Patterson arrived at 7:35 P.M. and Mrs. Hoffman arrived at 7:40 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Sandra F. Langley.

Approval of Agenda:

11/94/1 Moved by Kesner supported by Oleszkowicz to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

11/94/2 Moved by Gondek supported by Oleszkowicz to approve the Minutes of October 24, 1994 as presented. Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Communications and Expressions from the Public:

Mrs. Sandra F. Langley acknowledged receipt of a letter from Mr. Ronald Hill concerning his sons. Referred to Administration.

The Board of Education responded to questions and concerns presented to them by various members of the audience.

Report of the Superintendent:

Personnel Actions

11/94/3 Moved by Gondek supported by Kesner to approve the Personnel Actions as recommended by Dr. Terrel M. LeCesne, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Bills for Payment

11/94/4 Moved by Berlinn supported by Gondek to approve the Bills for Payment as presented by Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Report on Hayti Sale

Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, reported that the sale at Hayti Elementary School was surprisingly successful and that it netted the School District \$4,950.00.

C.M.U. Interest

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, discussed interest displayed by Central Michigan University in exploring opportunities available as "partners in technology".

Re-adopt Foundation

11/94/5 Moved by Patterson supported by Oleszkowicz that the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and re-adopt the October 24, 1994 Resolutions establishing a Foundation as amended in the attached document prepared by our attorney. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Joint Sponsor - Little League

11/94/6 Moved by Patterson supported by Oleszkowicz that the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve jointly sponsoring the Romulus Flyers' trip as outlined in the attached letter. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Senior High School Field Trip to Toledo Institute of Arts

11/94/7 Moved by Kesner supported by Patterson that the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the attached field trip to be taken on November 29, 1994. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Middle School Bible Request

11/94/8 Moved by Hoffman supported by Patterson that the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve after-school use of a room for the Wesleyan Church Bible Club as per the attached request. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Conference Report - Langley, Berlinn, Gondek, and Oleszkowicz

Members Langley, Berlinn, Gondek, and Oleszkowicz apprised the Board of the materials and issues discussed at the recent M.A.S.B. Conference held in Traverse City during the week of November 3-6, 1994 and responded to questions asked by various members of the Board.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, shared the following items with the Board of Education: 1) Technology Charts - South Lyon; 2) Louise Briody Recognition; 3) Dolan - Peace and Conflict Recognition; 4) County Praise - Mike Teasdale; 6) Dolan/Kathy Hurst - Make a Difference; 6) Dolan/Judy Thompson - State Music; 7) Romulus Chamber "Thank You"; 8) Mega Conference Divisional Alignment; and 9) "Thanks" - Bedell, Dolan, and Mossoian.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Mrs. Judie A. Gondek asked if we were in compliance with special ed numbers in the resource rooms. Mrs. Gondek also inquired about proficiency tests.

Mr. Pat Patterson asked about postage for Gifted and Talented.

Mrs. Langley inquired about the number of gifted mini-grants.

Executive Session - Negotiations

11/94/9 Moved by Gondek supported by Oleszkowicz to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 8:32 P.M. and reconvened in Regular Session at 9:20 P.M.

Adjournment:

11/94/10 Moved by Kesner supported by Patterson that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Meeting was adjourned at 9:22 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth E. Berlinn, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

Romulus High School Athletics

Romulus High School Boys Basketball Schedule, 1994-1995

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Tu	Dec. 6	Adrian	Away	5:30 p.m.
F	Dec. 9	Taylor Truman	Away	5:30 p.m.
Sa	Dec. 10	Ypsilanti Lincoln	Away	5:30 p.m.
Tu	Dec. 13	Bishop Borgess	Away	5:30 p.m.
Sa	Dec. 17	Christmas Tournament	Home	6 & 8 p.m.
M	Dec. 19	Christmas Tournament	Home	6 & 8 p.m.
F	Jan. 6	Adrian	Home	5:30 p.m.
Tu	Jan. 10	Bedford	Away	6:00 p.m.
F	Jan. 13	Inkster	Away	5:30 p.m.
Tu	Jan. 17	Belleville	Away	5:30 p.m.
F	Jan. 20	Grosse Ile	Away	5:30 p.m.
Tu	Jan. 24	Milford	Home	5:30 p.m.
F	Jan. 27	Highland Park	Away	5:30 p.m.
Tu	Jan. 31	River Rouge	Home	5:30 p.m.
F	Feb. 3	Ann Arbor Pioneer	Home	5:30 p.m.
Tu	Feb. 7	Ypsilanti	Home	5:30 p.m.
Tu	Feb. 14	Gibraltar Carlson	Home	5:30 p.m.
Tu	Feb. 21	Willow Run	Away	5:30 p.m.
Tu	Feb. 28	Ann Arbor Pioneer	Away	5:30 p.m.
Th	Mar. 2	Ann Arbor Huron	Away	5:30 p.m.

Head Coach: Guy DelGiudice

Assistant Coach: Troy Gray

Romulus High School Volleyball Schedule, 1994-1995

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
W	Dec. 14	Melvindale/New Boston Huron (V)	Home	5:30 p.m.
W	Dec. 14	Melvindale/New Boston Huron (JV)	Melvin.	5:30 p.m.
Th	Dec. 15	Gabriel Richard/Fairlane Christian	G.R.	7:00 p.m.
F	Dec. 16	Taylor Invitational (JV)	Away	3:30 p.m.
Sa	Dec. 17	Taylor Invitational (V)	Away	8:30 a.m.
W	Dec. 27	Romulus Holiday Invitational (JV)	Home	8:30 a.m.
Th	Dec. 28	Romulus Holiday Invitational (V)	Home	8:30 a.m.
Sa	Jan. 7	Gibraltar Carlson Invitational (V)	Away	8:00 a.m.
M	Jan. 9	Redford Union	Away	5:30 p.m.
Sa	Jan. 14	Monroe Jefferson Invitational (V)	Away	TBA
W	Jan. 18	Ann Arbor Huron	Away	6:00 p.m.
Sa	Jan. 21	Plymouth Salem Tournament (V)	Away	TBA
M	Jan. 23	Adrian	Home	6:00 p.m.
M	Jan. 30	Robichaud	Away	TBA
Tu	Jan. 31	Clarenceville	Away	6:00 p.m.
Sa	Feb. 4	Romulus Invitational (V)	Home	8:30 a.m.
M	Feb. 6	Ypsilanti (3 of 5)	Home	6:00 p.m.
M	Feb. 13	Adrian	Away	6:00 p.m.
Th	Feb. 16	Belleville	Home	6:00 p.m.
Sa	Feb. 18	Lincoln Park Invitational (JV)	Away	TBA
W	Feb. 22	Ann Arbor Greenhills	Home	6:00 p.m.
Sa	Feb. 25	News-Herald Invitational (V)	Away	TBA

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Assistant Coach: Kim Rose



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Romulus High School Wrestling Schedule, 1994-1995

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Th	Dec. 8	Brother Rice/Owosso	B.R.	5:00 p.m.
Sa	Dec. 10	Novi Invitational (V)	Away	10:00 a.m.
Sa	Dec. 10	Belleville Invitational (JV)	Away	10:30 a.m.
Th	Dec. 15	Plymouth Canton/Wayne Memorial	Home	5:30 p.m.
Sa	Dec. 17	Plymouth Salem Tournament (V)	Away	10:00 a.m.
Tu	Dec. 20	Rochester Adams/Davison	Adams	5:30 p.m.
Th	Dec. 29	Plymouth Salem Tournament (JV)	Away	10:00 a.m.
Th	Jan. 5	Ann Arbor Huron/Novi	Home	5:30 p.m.
Sa	Jan. 7	Lincoln Park Invitational (V)	Away	10:00 a.m.
Sa	Jan. 7	Southgate Anderson Invitational (JV)	Away	10:00 a.m.
Th	Jan. 12	TBA	TBA	TBA
Sa	Jan. 14	Romulus Middle School Invitational	RHS	10:00 a.m.
Sa	Jan. 14	TBA (JV)	Away	TBA
Th	Jan. 19	Ypsilanti/Monroe	Home	5:30 p.m.
Sa	Jan. 21	Romulus Royal Invitational	Home	9:30 a.m.
F	Jan. 27	Toledo Waite Invitational (V)	Away	4:00 p.m.
Sa	Jan. 28	Toledo Waite Invitational (V)	Away	10:00 a.m.
Th	Feb. 2	Ann Arbor Pioneer/Milan	Home	5:30 p.m.
Sa	Feb. 4	Saline Team Tournament	Away	10:00 a.m.
Tu	Feb. 7	Hazel Park/Lakeland	Home	5:30 p.m.
Th	Feb. 9	Southfield/Southfield Lathrup	South.	5:30 p.m.

Head Coach: Norman Butler

Assistant Coaches: Bruce Boyd, Rick Champagne, and Don Dufore

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Sassy Seniors



(Top left) Danny Rushlow, Alicia Bailey, and (on ladder) Ray Moomaw know that their newly erected decorations will help Romulus Tower residents get into the holiday spirit.

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Audry Moomaw, Manager of the Romulus Tower; Marilyn Hoffer, Senior Citizens Coordinator for the City of Romulus; and Barbara Schultz, Romulus Senior Center staff member, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column.

Please note: Call 942-6852 for more information about events at the Romulus Senior Center (36515 Bibbins).

Happy Birthday!

Best wishes for a wonderful birthday to those of my Romulus Tower neighbors born in December: Fannie Archer, Alex Carr, Floyd Crandall, Imogene Davis, Ralph Delap, Leona Dudley, Edith Godwin, Julia Horton, Paul Knoblock, Ella Lasseter, Roy Livingston, Betty Mack, Lucretia Maze, Alice Simmons, and Lois Wilke.

Potluck Luncheon

The Center's wonderful chefs will be serving baked ham at this month's potluck, to be held on Thursday, December 8, at 12 p.m. Bring a dish and bring a friend!

Lunch Out

If you love Chinese cuisine, you'll want to join old and new friends who'll be riding the Center's senior van on Wednesday, December 7, to sample

the Oriental fare of Lincoln Park's Cafe House. Transportation is \$1.50 (does not include the cost of your meal). Sign up at the Center.

Holiday Shopping

Romulus seniors can catch up on their holiday shopping on Friday, December 9, when the Center's van travels to Monroe's Frenchtown Mall, and on Friday, December 16, when it takes a trip to the Belleville Meijer store. Transportation is just \$1.50; sign up at the Center.

Special Trips

Seniors interested in more information about this or other trips planned by the Romulus Senior Center may contact Marilyn Hoffer at 942-6852.

- **Gulf Coast** – Discover Biloxi, Mississippi, and New Orleans, Louisiana, on this seven-day excursion to the Gulf Coast. The \$549 cost of the trip (based on double-occupancy rates), which departs March 12, includes round-trip motorcoach transportation, six nights' accommodations, nine meals, a guided tour of New Orleans (including the French Quarter, the Garden District, and the above-ground cemeteries), three nights of casino gambling, a tour of Stennis Space Center, and more. □

MICHIGAN FESTIVAL SCHEDULE



DECEMBER

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1-4, 8-11, 15-23, 26-30	Christmas at Crossroads , Crossroads Village, Flint, (800) 648-7275	30	Community Wide Holiday Celebration , Charlotte, (517) 543-0400
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In Loving Remembrance of Robert James Means (November 22, 1927 to November 15, 1994)

One day, the Good Lord up above was making up personalities and persons. As He was doing this, He was really impressed with one of His creations. In the mold, He threw in kindness, love, caring, devotion, intelligence, and loyalty, among many other great traits. Then, when the Good Lord threw in good looks, He molded this to perfection, then broke the mold. On November 22, 1927, He sent His perfect creation to us through Robert and Gladys (Molisee) Means. They named him Robert James Means.

Robert grew up with a happy upbringing in Elizabeth, Pennsylvania, with his mother, father, and younger brother Melvin. After serving three years in the United States Marines, Robert met the woman he fell in love with, Rose Kesser, and they married on July 29, 1950. They brought two boys and one girl into this world - Robert, Russell, and Rhonda. Then, after 12 years of working at Kelsey-Hayes in Pennsylvania, Robert and his family moved to Michigan with the plant that is located in Romulus, and made their home in that city on Ferndale Street (which is still home after 32 years). Later, they brought another son and daughter into the world - Reed and Regina.

As life went on, the children of Robert and Rose gave them 12 grandchildren: Kelly, Danielle, Robert, Ashley, Rory, Rustin, Brittany, Brighton, Ryan, Timothy, Dayna, and Shelby, plus one great-grandchild, Cody.

After a heart attack on Christmas Day of 1988, Robert had to retire after 42 years at Kelsey-Hayes. Although he was ill from his heart attack, he still continued to be a de-



voted husband, fantastic father, and a terrific grandfather. As the years went along, Robert's condition slowly worsened; then, on November 15, 1994, the Good Lord took His perfect creation back home.

Robert James Means will be missed by many who loved and admired him. Even though he isn't here with us in body, he is with us in heart and spirit, and will always be remembered as the perfect person that he was.

The memorial service was held at St. Aloysius Church-Romulus on Saturday, November 19, 1994, at 2 p.m.; burial was on Monday, November 21, 1994, at Mt. Vernon in McKeesport, Pennsylvania.

Special thanks go to Dr. Sabharwal, M.D., and the I.M.C. Unit at Heritage Hospital (Taylor, MI) for the fantastic care they gave Robert during the last year he was with us.

Cards may be sent to: Rose Means, 36840 Ferndale, Romulus, MI 48174.

I'll always love you, Dad!
Regina R. Kalasz □

Obituaries

Felix J. Jezuit

Felix J. Jezuit of Romulus, Michigan, died on Tuesday, November 15, 1994. He was 78 years old.

Born on August 4, 1916, the Detroit native married Rosie G. Bitler in Dearborn, Michigan, on June 16, 1950, and worked as a machinery operator.

Felix is survived by his wife and a stepson, Edward Ernest Linne (Romulus, MI).

Funeral services were held on Saturday, November 19, at St. Aloysius Catholic Church (Romulus, MI), with Father Michael Malawy officiating. Burial was at Michigan Memorial Park (Flat Rock). Arrangements were made by Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI). Memorial tributes may be made in the form of mass cards or donations to the American Cancer Society.

Frances C. Kopas

Frances C. Kopas of Romulus, Michigan, died on Monday, November 14, 1994, at the age of 82.

A homemaker and member of the St. Aloysius Altar Society, Frances was born in Wayne County, Michigan, on December 23, 1911, and married Anthony J. Kopas in Belleville, Michigan, on June 28, 1930.

Frances is survived by her son, Anthony D. Kopas, and his wife Mary Jo (Romulus, MI); daughters Mrs. Albert (Anita) Gliniski (Allenton, MI), Mrs. Raymond (Loretta V.) Renke (Romulus, MI), Mrs. Donald (Mary Lee) Treder (Plymouth, MI), and Mrs. James (Karen A.) Boydston (Rochester Hills, MI); sister Mary Michlewicz; 19 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren. Her husband Anthony predeceased her on February 15, 1993.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, November 16, at St. Aloysius Catholic Church (Romulus, MI), with Father Michael Malawy officiating. Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park (Flat Rock). Arrangements were made by Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI). Memorial tributes may be made in the form of mass cards or a donation to the Marywood Nursing Center (36975 Five Mile, Livonia, MI 48154).

Bennett L. Meyer

Bennett L. Meyer of Romulus, Michigan, died on Wednesday, November 9, 1994. He was 51 years old.

Bennett was born in Wayne, Michigan, on September 19, 1943, and married Margaret L. Holliday in Romulus, Michigan, on October 12, 1963. The 1962 Romulus High School graduate did construction work for Rey-Mart in Romulus, and was a member of the Moose Club (Belleville, MI).

He is survived by his wife; sons Bennett L. III (Romulus, MI) and Oren "Ed" Meyer (Taylor, MI); mother Violet F. Meyer (Romulus, MI); and brothers Lloyd B. (Romulus, MI) and Walter H. Meyer (Wayne, MI).

Arrangements were made by Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI) and Tri-County Cremation Services (Ypsilanti, MI).

Elmer Ramey

Elmer Ramey of Romulus, Michigan, died on Sunday, November 27, 1994, at the age of 65.

Elmer, a machine repairman for General Motors, was born in Londale, West Virginia, on March 3, 1929, and married Ethel Stollings in Henlawson, West Virginia, on February 8, 1953.

He is survived by his wife; son Michael K. Ramey and his wife Ingrid (Belleville, MI); brothers Paul (Flint, MI), Denver (Indianapolis, IN), Rupert (Flatwood, KY), and Robert Ramey (Detroit, MI); sisters Mrs. Sue Spencer (Chapmanville, WV), Mrs. Gracie Reynolds (Detroit, MI), and Mrs. Delsie Kirby (Detroit, MI); granddaughter Anna Pocze; and great-grandchildren Steven L. and Allison Marie Cinnamon.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, November 30, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with Pastor Donald "Mike" McClellan (Romulus Wesleyan Church) officiating. Burial was at Cadillac Memorial Gardens (Westland, MI). Memorial tributes may be made to the American Lung Association.

Michael Ratushinak

Michael Ratushinak of Romulus, Michigan, died on Thursday, November 17, 1994, at the age of 68.

A native of Detroit, Michigan, Michael was born on May 22, 1926, and worked as a laborer. His organization memberships included the Disabled American Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars (Romulus, MI), the Eagles Club (Wayne, MI), and the Moose Club (Belleville, MI).

Michael is survived by his mother, Mrs. Alice Ratusniak (Danville, KY); longtime companion Jewel Lumpford (Romulus, MI); stepson Ray Lumpford (Dundee, MI); stepdaughters Wanda Boyer (Pinckney, MI) and Pamela Rush (Livongston, TN); and sisters Ann Steal (Danville, KY) and Marie Wasser (Dearborn, MI).

Funeral services were held on Friday, November 18, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with stepson Ray Lumpford officiating. Arrangements were made by Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI) and Tri-County Cremation Services (Ypsilanti, MI). □



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